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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

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The following applies to the non-English language documents:

1. **EP 0 668 396.** In lieu of a statement of relevance, Applicants are enclosing herewith an English-language abstract for this reference. Applicants are also enclosing a copy of the European Search Report for EP 03 44 5063, a European application related to U.S. Application No. 10/557,605, where this document is cited.

2. **FR 2 673 209.** In lieu of a statement of relevance, Applicants are enclosing herewith an English-language abstract for this reference. Applicants are also enclosing a copy of the European Search Report for EP 03 44 5063, where this document is cited.
3. **WO 01/09461.** In lieu of a statement of relevance, Applicants are enclosing a copy of the English-language version of Canadian Application No. CA 2 380 430, which is the Canadian national stage of WO 01/09461.

4. **EP 1 247 923.** In lieu of a statement of relevance, Applicants are listing in the attached form PTO/SB/08 US Patent Application Publication No. US 2005/0188639, which is part of the patent family of EP 1 247 923. Applicants are also enclosing a copy of the European Search Report for EP 03 44 5063, where this document is cited.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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